

# Hongkong Telegraph

No. 3760

MONDAY, MAY 28, 1894.

THURSDAY  
PERMANENT

**THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.**  
AUTHORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000  
SUBSCRIBED £1,285,000

**BANKERS:**  
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.  
INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—  
For 12 Months.....5 per cent.  
" 6 ".....4 " "  
" 3 ".....3 " "  
JOHN THURBURN,  
Manager, Hongkong.  
Hongkong, 24th February, 1893.

**THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.**

INCORPORATED BY R. VAL CHARTER, 1853.  
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £800,000  
RESERVE FUND £475,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balance.  
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months.....5 per cent.  
" 6 ".....4 " "  
" 3 ".....3 " "  
A. C. MARSHALL,  
Manager, Hongkong.  
Hongkong, 17th May, 1894.

**THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.**

Authorised Capital £1,000,000  
Subscribed Capital £500,000

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:—  
D. Gillies, Esq. | Chow Tung Shang, Esq.  
Chan Kik Shan, Esq. | Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.  
H. Stollerfoht, Esq. | Chief Manager,  
GEO. W. E. PLAYFAIR.  
Branches:—London, Yokohama, Shanghai and Amoy.

**BANKERS:**  
The Commercial Bank of Scotland.  
Parrs Banking Co. and The Alliance Bank (Ld.)  
Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.  
Hongkong, 16th November, 1893.

**THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.**

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £2,000,000  
CAPITAL PAID-UP £251,093.15.0

**BANKERS:**  
CAPITAL & COUNTRY BANK, LIMITED.  
HEAD OFFICE:—  
No. 3, PRINCE STREET, LONDON.

**BRANCHES:**  
BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI.

**AGENCIES:**  
PENANG, SINGAPORE AND YOKOHAMA.

**RATES OF INTEREST,**  
ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS and Fixed Deposits can be ascertained on application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.  
CHANTREY INCHBALD,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, 6th November, 1893.

**THE HARMSTONS' GREAT SPECIALTY COMPANY.**

THE famous HARMSTONS' CIRCUS will for the present postpone the GREAT CIRCUS REVIVAL until a later period, and on the arrival of the Steamer conveying the Company to Shanghai, will give TWO SPECIAL PERFORMANCES

IN THE CITY HALL.  
Introducing the grandest Vaudville Entertainment ever given in Hongkong.

**ALL GREAT ARTISTS.**  
MOLLE, LE BLONDE,  
La Premiere Danseuse at La Scala, Milan, Cirque Nouvelle, Paris, and Sir Augustus Harris' Pantomime of 1884 at Ridgely Lane. The most graceful Dancer and Dancer in the World.

**THE FAMOUS ACKERLYS.**  
GEORGE, THE STEWARTS, JOHNNIE, GEORGE, Musical Clowns, the Artistic Wonders of Europe.

**MOLLE, OUDINA.**  
The accomplished trapezist, youth and beauty combined with grace and daring, have earned her fame. First appearance in the East.

**MISS MAUD LISLE.**  
The versatile Dancer and Vocalist.

**WHIMSICAL TOMMY.**  
Musical Clown and Jester.

**THE ROMAN BROTHERS.**  
Woodward, Eldred, and Johnnie, Accomplished Gymnasts.

**PEPINO AND DUMMY.**  
The Kings of Laughter.

**HARMSTONS' GRAND ORCHESTRA**  
AND  
Miss NELLIE BAILEY, Miss BLANCHE, Miss NAVARRO, Miss L. BOVIS.

**THE TOMI KITCHI TROUPE.**  
LEO HERNANDEZ, C. BRUCK, F. DUPEZ, P. KLANTO.

And the People's Favorite, Mr. ROBERT LOVE, in his Budget of Songs.

**THE DALE BROTHERS,**  
American Mimics.

Due notice on arrival of Steamer.

Box Plan at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LD.

R. LOVE  
CHAS. B. HICKS, General Representative,  
S. REICH  
Hongkong, 27th May, 1894.

**THE STANDARD ENDOWMENT ASSURANCE.**

1. AMONG THE MANY ADVANTAGES of this form of Assurance, the following may be mentioned:—

(a)—It secures an immediate Provision for wife and family or other relatives in event of early death.

(b)—It provides a Fund for Retirement.

(c)—It supplies an excellent Investment for the regular accumulation of small fixed sums of money.

(d)—The Surrender and loan values are larger than under ordinary Policies.

2. AFTER THE POLICY HAS BEEN THREE YEARS IN FORCE—should the Policy-holder wish to discontinue future payments—he will be entitled to receive, on application, a FREE PAID-UP POLICY for a proportionate amount of the Sum Assured, as explained in the Prospectus.

Full particulars on application, DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents, STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1893.

**THE TOKYO MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

HEAD OFFICE—TOKYO, JAPAN.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED £1,000,000  
CAPITAL PAID-UP £600,000  
GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE £400,000

RESERVE FUND, 30th June, 1893, £548,551  
SPECIAL RESERVE, Do, £134,097

TOTAL RESERVE £682,648

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept RISKS at CURRENT RATES.

For the MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, K. FUKUI, Manager.

Hongkong, 18th April, 1894.

**NOTICE.**

**THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

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CAPITAL PAID-UP £251,093.15.0

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Hongkong, 18th April, 1894.

**NOTICE.**

**THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.**

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 £833,333.33  
EQUAL TO £833,333.33

RESERVE FUND £318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.  
LEE SING, Esq. | LO YUK MOON, Esq.  
LOU TSO SHUM, Esq. | MANAGER.—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.

Hongkong, 17th December, 1893.

**Intimations.**

**WANTED.**

**SITUATION as CLERK, CORRESPONDENT, BOOK-KEEPER, or in any position of Trust. Knowledge of SPANISH.**

"M."  
c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office.

Hongkong, 16th May, 1894.

**NOTICE.**

"THE GAP BUFFET" at the TRAMWAY UPPER TERMINUS will OPEN on MONDAY next, the 14th instant.

KATHERINE JUNGBLUTH.  
Hongkong, 12th May, 1894.

**AN APPEAL.**

THE SUPERIORESS of the ITALIAN CONVENT, CANTO ROAD, begs most respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind patronage and support, and desires to state that she will be pleased to receive orders for all kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Gentlemen's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies' and Children's Under-clothing, Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery, Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superioress will also be most grateful for any PAPERS, or old ENVELOPES to be made into Books for the Children of the Poor Schools, who are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1894.

**J. W. KEW & CO'S STEAM WATER BOATS.**

PURE FRESH WATER.

THE attention of SHIPOWNERS, AGENTS and CAPTAINS is called to the Superior Quality of TITAM FILTERED WATER offered by J. W. KEW & Co., also to the advantages derived from their being able to supply their Water in one-fourth the time occupied by the old fashioned and obsolete hand pumps.

No impeding the loading or discharging of Cargo.

Call day "W," Commercial Code.

J. W. KEW & Co.,  
c/o Carmichael & Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1894.

**Intimations.**  
**CENTRAL HOTEL, SHANGHAI.**

Electric Lighting throughout the Premises.

Telegraphic Address:—"CENTRAL, SHANGHAI."

THIS long-established SELECT Family Hotel, situated on the Bund, facing the river in the centre of the Settlements, is now fitted with the latest modern improvements, including Bath and Dressing Rooms ATTACHED to Suites and Single Rooms, with hot and cold water laid on, DOUCHE, SHOWER, SPRAYS, etc., and heated to a comfortable temperature during winter.

COMMODIOUS RECEPTION ROOM FOR VISITORS.

SEPARATE ROOMS FOR PRIVATE DINNER PARTIES, &c.

An Assistant attends on Passengers by Mail Steamers.

N.B.—Special reduced charges may be arranged for on application to the Manager.

F. E. REILLY, PROPRIETOR.

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**DAWSON'S PERFECTION OLD SCOTCH WHISKY.**

ALLISTON & CO., SOLE AGENTS, Hongkong and the Far East.

88, Queen's Road Central.

ongkong, 11th December, 1893.

**LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.**

ICE CREAM FREEZERS, ICE CHIPPERS AND CHISELS, ICE CHESTS.

ICE-WATER PITCHERS, ICE BOWLS, BUTTER COOLERS.

FILTERS.

LEMON SQUEEZERS, LEMON JUICE EXTRACTORS.

WIND-PROOF LAMPS, VERANDAH LAMPS, PUNKAH LAMPS.

Hongkong, 3rd May, 1894.

**THE HONGKONG HOTEL.**

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "Kremila"—A. B. C. Code.—TELEPHONE, No. 32.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL—the most commodious and best appointed Hotel in the Far East, affords unequalled accommodation to travellers and others. It is situated in the centre of the town, opposite the General Post Office and the Hongkong Club, adjacent to Podders' Wharf (the principal landing stage of the Colony) and in close proximity to the Banks and Shipping Offices.

THE HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH conveys passengers and baggage to and from all Mail Steamers. THE TABLE D'HOTE, at separate tables, is supplied with every delicacy, the cuisine being under experienced supervision.

THE BED-ROOMS, with adjoining Bath-rooms, are lofty and well ventilated, open on to spacious Verandahs, are lighted by gas and fitted throughout with electric communications.

The Reading, Writing and Smoking Rooms, Ladies' Drawing Rooms, the new Bar and public BILLIARD ROOMS (Six English and American Tables) are fitted with every convenience.

THE WINES & SPIRITS are selected by an Expert and the BEST BRANDS only are supplied.

HYDRAULIC ASCENDING-ROOMS of the latest and most approved type convey passengers and baggage from the Entrance Hall to each of the five floors above.

NIGHT PORTERS and WATCHMEN are continually on duty.

R. TUCKER, Manager.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1892.

**KELLY & WALSH, LD.**

POPULAR TOBACCOS.

TRAVELLER BRAND, in 1/2 lb. Tins.

PIONEER do.

THREE CASTLES, in 1/2 & 1 lb. Tins.

BIRD'S EYE do.

CAPSTAN BRAND do.

OGDEN'S VIRGINIA, in 1/2 lb. Tins.

OGDEN'S NAVY CUT do.

OGDEN'S BIRD'S EYE do.

OGDEN'S SILVER VEIL, in 1/2 lb. Tins.

COPE'S BIRD'S EYE do.

COPE'S MUTUAL FRIEND do.

COPE'S PRAIRIE FLOWER do.

COPE'S BLEND do.

MOOSE HEAD TOBACCO, in 1/2 lb. Tins.

ST. LEGER SCROLL CUT TWIST do.

IN HERMETICALLY SEALED TINS.

PERFECTLY FRESH.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.

Hongkong, 15th May, 1894.

**W. BREWER.**

JUST RECEIVED.

LOYD'S MODERN ARTILLERY.

Tanner's Index of Diseases.

Seaton's Rules & Tables for Marine Engineers.

Murray's Guide to Japan.

Guide Australia and New Zealand.

Tolstoi—Kingdom of God within you.

Smith's—Man the Primeval Savage.

Stevenson's—Marine Boiler Management.

Big Game Shooting—Radiation Libby.

Middleton—Surveying & Surveying Instruments.

Lincoln—The Street of Human Habitations.

Walker's Chess Studies.

Lemaire—Indian Clubs.

W. BREWER, UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1894.

**Intimations.**  
**PRODUCTS OF VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA.**

SAMPLES of the above will be ON VIEW at Room No. 10, VICTORIA HOTEL, 25 DAY and TO-MORROW, the 28th and 29th instant, from 2 P.M. to 5 P.M. each day.

All interested in the DEVELOPMENT of TRADE with VICTORIA are invited to attend. Any information respecting the PRODUCTS which may be desired will be SUPPLIED by me.

S. H. ROWE,  
Official Representative of the Government of Victoria.

Victoria Hotel, Hongkong, 28th May, 1894.

**NOTICE.**

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are reminded that the FOURTH INSTALLMENT of CALL, amounting to FIVE SHILLINGS per SHARE on the ORDINARY SHARES of the BANK is DUE on the 1st June, 1894, and is PAYABLE at the OFFICE of the BANK, No. 4, QUEEN'S ROAD, either by demand Draft on London or in Local Currency equivalent.

CHANTREY INCHBALD, Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd May, 1894.

**GYMKHANA NOTICE.**

THERE will be a MEETING on THURSDAY next, the 31st instant, at 6 P.M., in the BILLIARD ROOM of the OFFICERS' MESS, MURRAY BARRACKS, kindly lent for the occasion by Lieut.-Col. ROBINSON and the OFFICERS of the Shropshire Light Infantry, to discuss the question of Summer Gymkhanas.

Gentlemen interested in promoting these Meetings are requested to attend.

A. H. THOMAS, Capt., Hon. Sec.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1894.

**NOTICE.**

THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE of the SANITARY BOARD APPEAL to all HOUSEHOLDERS in the COLONY, but more especially to the EUROPEAN, AMERICAN, and other NON-CHINESE RESIDENTS to give prompt attention to the state of their KITCHENS, COOK-HOUSES, SERVANTS' QUARTERS and OUT-OFFICES GENERALLY, to have them thoroughly CLEANSED and WHITEWASHED without delay, and then to make a DAILY VISIT and INSPECTION. If these precautions are regularly observed, with the use of DISINFECTANTS in the DRAINS, there is absolutely NO DANGER of the PLAGUE establishing itself in the European quarters of the City. There may be isolated cases among the Chinese Servants and Coolies who have become infected elsewhere, but no dangerous consequences can follow. It is not possible for the Sanitary Staff, largely re-inforced though it has been from the Army, Navy and Police, to undertake the work of Cleaning and Disinfecting outside the Chinese quarters of the City, but on notice to Mr. RAM, Acting Sanitary Superintendent, at the Board's Offices, arrangements will be made for the prompt removal of all accumulations of Rubbish and Filth.

The Committee urge upon ALL HOUSEHOLDERS the importance and necessity of their AT ONCE acting on this advice.

For the Permanent Committee—Sanitary Board, JNO. J. FRANCIS.

Bank Buildings, Hongkong, 23rd May, 1894.

**NOTICE.**

THE CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT of POLICE wants FIFTY VOLUNTEERS from the Civil Population for the purpose of aiding the HOUSE-TO-HOUSE VISITATION of the COLONY. Hours from 7 to 9 A.M. and from 4 to 6 P.M. Persons desirous of offering their services, to communicate with the CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT of POLICE at the CENTRAL STATION and state on what days of the week and at what time, Morning or Evening, they can give their services.

For the Permanent Committee—Sanitary Board, JNO. J. FRANCIS.

Bank Buildings, Hongkong, 22nd May, 1894.

**THE PHARMACY.**

FLETCHER & Co. Dispensing and Retail Chemists, Perfumers, Druggists Sundriesmen and Patent Medicine Vendors.

KEPLER'S MALT ..... per dozen .....\$14.00

KEPLER'S MALT and OIL .....\$14.00

SCOTT'S EMULSION .....\$13.00

SCOTT'S EMULSION .....\$13.00

TOILET ACCESSORIES—  
Perfume Bottles, Cut Crystal, Combs, Brushes, Sponges, Sponge Bags, Flesh Gloves and Belts.

Perfumes—Pineau, Atkinson, Colgate, Rick-socker and Brown Perfumery Co.

Hongkong, 23rd September, 1893.

**HONGKONG TIMBER YARD, WANCHAI.**

ORIGON PINE BEAMS and LUMBER Always on Hand.

L. MALLORY.

Hongkong, 24th May, 1894.

**Shipping.**  
**STEAMERS.**  
DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.  
FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.  
THE Company's Steamship  
"FOKIEN"  
Captain Davis, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 29th instant, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS & WRAIR & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th May, 1894.

**EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.**

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.  
(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship  
"CATTERTHUN"  
Captain Shannon, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 5th June, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has large Cooling Chambers, thus ensuring a supply of Fresh Meat, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage. A fully qualified Surgeon and Stewardess are carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1894.

**SAILING VESSELS.**

FOR NEW YORK.  
THE 3/3 I. I. American Bark  
"EDWARD MAY"  
McClure, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1894.

FOR NEW YORK.  
THE 3/3 I. I. American Bark  
"ADAM W. SPIES,"  
Meyers, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co.

Hongkong, 17th April, 1894.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.  
THE 100 A. T. British Ship  
"MATTERHORN,"  
Williams, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN & Co.

Hongkong, 12th May, 1894.



## Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &amp; CO., LD.

D. C. &amp; Co.

## DISINFECTING FLUID.

Similar to Condy's at quarter the price.

Large bottles... \$2.50  
Per gallon... \$2.00

This is a safe and reliable disinfectant and is not poisonous.

NO better preventive against Plague and Disease is possible than a well disinfected house.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED,  
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,  
HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1894.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,  
LIMITED.

DISINFECTANTS.

## CARBOLIC POWDER.

For the purification of Houses, Cess-pools, Drains, Water-closets, &amp;c., and for the Disinfection of Sick-rooms.

## CARBOLIC ACID.

For Disinfecting Purposes.

Half an ounce (about one table-spoonful) of this Acid when well-mixed with one quart of water forms a superior disinfecting and deodorizing fluid.

Half a pint of the Solution thus formed, when added to any vessel used in the Sick-room, will prevent any unpleasant effluvia, and preserve the contents for Medical inspection. It also purifies Drains, Water-closets, &c.  
A tea-spoonful of Carbolic Acid exposed on a plate or other vessels in a Sick-room will purify the air and prevent contagion.

## PERMANGANATE DISINFECTANT.

Similar to Condy's but cheaper, 50 cents a quart bottle.  
A nice clean disinfectant for Dwelling-rooms and Bath-rooms.

## CAMPHYLENE POWDER.

## CAMPHYLENE BALLS.

## CAMPHYLENE BLOCKS.

## JEWEL'S POWDER.

## JEWEL'S FLUID.

## NAPHTHALINE.

## QUICKLIME.

## IZAL.

## CONDY'S FLUID.

## CONDY'S POWDER.

## SANTAS POWDER.

## SANTAS FLUID.

At the present time disinfectants ought to be used freely by all.

All disinfectants used on the higher levels of the city will, in addition to purifying the house drains in which they are used, beneficially affect the condition of the drains on the lower levels, and should be used freely.

Further information can be obtained by personal application to

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.  
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,  
Hongkong, 16th May, 1894.

## NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

FROM AND AFTER THE 1st OF JANUARY, 1894, THE SUBSCRIPTION TO "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" WILL BE THIRTY DOLLARS PER ANNUM, OR TWO DOLLARS AND A HALF PER MONTH.  
ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

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HONGKONG, MONDAY, MAY 28, 1894.

## TELEGRAMS.

## HONOURS TO VOLUNTEERS.

LONDON, 25th May, 1894.

The decorations to officers of Volunteers for long service, sanctioned in Great Britain, will be extended to India and the Colonies. The time qualification for India has been fixed at eighteen years.

[This is surely the 'last straw.' If there are any Volunteer officers in Hongkong who want 'decorations' as an incentive to valour, we have a varied collection of 'orders' which we have been very happy to dispose of at rates suited to all classes of purchasers.—Ed. H.K. Telegraph.]

## "SIR THOMAS" TO WIT.

Mr. Thomas O'Brien (from Cork) the fighting Colonial Secretary of Hongkong, has been awarded the distinguished honour of a K.C.M.G. and A.B.S.  
[The Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph offers Sir Thomas O'Brien his sincere congratulations.]

## ANOTHER RUM-MILL DECORATION.

Mr. Byron Brennan, British Consul at Canton, has been created a C.M.G.

[We are bound to assume that this gross insult has been offered to Mr. Byron Brennan for his very doubtful services to Sheng, Taotai and Sir Robert Hart, in making Hongkong an appanage of the Chinese Imperial Customs. We respectfully tender Mr. Brennan our condolences.—Ed. Hongkong Telegraph.]

## MORE TOMMY-ROT.

Sir Robert Cross Stewart, C.B., and Viscount Wolseley, G.C.B., G.C.M.G., have been promoted to the rank of Field Marshal.

[Sir Robert Cross Stewart, whose military reputation is an unknown quantity to the world at large, is probably the interesting and antiquated fossil who was at one time Colonel of the Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders. Up to date there has been one old woman a Field Marshal in the British Army; there are two now—Garnet Wolseley is meet associate of the "Dook" of Glendoe, and we have not heard of the death of Sir Donald Stewart or old "Old Bob," but these warriors, if they are still kicking around, no doubt wish themselves in the Colonial choir so as to avoid contamination with Great Britain's electro-plated Field Marshals.—Ed. Hongkong Telegraph.]

## THE IRISH COMMAND.

Lord Roberts will succeed Viscount Wolseley as Commander-in-Chief of the British forces in Ireland.

## FRANCE.

PARIS, May 18th.

M. Casimir Perier, the Prime Minister, has spoken in strong disapprobation of the circular issued by the Papal Nuncio to the bishops concerning the Factory Law, which led to strained relations between the Cabinet and the Church. He says the Nuncio has expressed regret at his action. The Chamber then passed a vote of confidence in the Government.  
General Mathieu has refused the Colonial Defence Directorate. It is believed that General Bourdoux will accept the post.

## TYPHOON WARNING.

We are indebted to the courtesy of Señor Don Ortiz de Zugasti, Spanish Consul at this port, for the following telegram:—

MANILA, May 27th.

A typhoon has entered Luzon from the south-east, travelling slowly, direction not yet ascertained.

MANILA, May 28th,

1.40 p.m.

The typhoon has entered the China Sea south of Luzon.

Dr. D. Brock's notice issued from the Hongkong Observatory this morning states that a trough of low pressure extends over the middle part of the China Sea.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended May 27th are:—Europeans, 90; Chinese, 894; total 984.

We are informed by the Agent of the Messageries Maritimes Co. that the steamer *Saghalien*, with the next French mail, left Saigon for this port at 6 a.m. yesterday.Jinks—"Why did you kiss my daughter against her will?"  
Winks—"She said I'd have to kiss her against her will or not at all."

ON May 8th a Chinese petroleum store at Batavia, containing 5,000 casks of petroleum, was burned down. It was insured for 160,000 guilders.

"The woman shall not wear that which pertains to the man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment, for all that do so are an abomination unto the Lord."—Deuteronomy, xxi, 6.

As rabies exists in certain parts of the district of Leat, the Perak Government has ordered that all dogs must be confined for a period of six weeks from a given date, or they will be destroyed.

THE P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Peking*, which left Hongkong on May 27th for San Francisco via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu, arrived at her destination on the 26th inst.

It is said that the citizens of Osaka are about to build a large theatre and library, to which will be attached Zoological gardens and other interesting collections, at an estimated cost of 5,000,000 yen.

A FIRE occurred at Singapore on the 18th inst. in a store rented by Hutterbach Brothers, destroying about five thousand cases of kerosene oil, which were insured in the Straits Fire Insurance Co. for \$9,000.

JAPAN is suffering from an epidemic of pick-pocketing and petty thievery, not a single week being allowed to pass without scores of cases being reported to the police. The detective forces employed at the railway stations are being strengthened.

THE German ship *Christina*, from Philadelphia to Hyogo, went aground off Old Anger on May 2nd, but safely floated off without having sustained any material damage and proceeded on her voyage, after being stuck fast for three hours.

MESSRS. Dodwell, Carilli &amp; Co., general agents for the Northern Pacific Steamship Company, inform us that they received from their Kobe branch yesterday the following telegram:—"Arrivals from Hongkong are subject to quarantine for one day, if there is no sickness."

A FINE of \$50, with the alternative of two months' imprisonment with hard labour, was today imposed on an aged Chinese woman at the Police Court, who was caught red-handed yesterday injecting morphine into the arm of a coolie. The "doctress" elected to do her time.

AT one o'clock on Saturday afternoon the Ocean Co.'s steamer *Ulysses*, while making for her berth in Amoy harbour, ran into the Ocean Co.'s steamer *Belgia*, which was at anchor loading tea. The result was a practically collision, but the latter sustained a good deal of damage about the bow and deck, and two of her crew were hurt. The damage was not sufficiently serious to cause the *Belgia* to be detained at Amoy for repairs, and she proceeded on her voyage to San Francisco yesterday morning. A cargo boat, loaded with tea, was smashed by the *Ulysses* and sunk alongside the *Belgia*.The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s royal mail steamer *Empress of Japan* arrived at Nagasaki at 7.30 p.m. yesterday, and left again at 4 p.m. today, for Vancouver, via Kobe and Yokohama.An electric railway, 25 miles in length, and estimated to cost 300,000 yen, is about to be constructed in Japan, should the necessary permission for the undertaking be granted. The *Japan Gazette* states that the net profit of the line has been computed at 12 per cent.

JUSTICE Institution—"On your way to join Corey's army, I suppose?" said the woman of the house, with good-natured sarcasm, putting a plate of cold hash before him. "No, ma'am," replied the tramp, feelingly. "You ought to hit a man when he's down. I'm one of the unemployed, ma'am, but I ain't no durn celt."

AN aspiring lady amateur applied to a theatrical manager for an engagement. The manager, who had just been engaged, and supposed she had had some experience. Wishing to ascertain what salary she expected he inquired in the usual manner, "About what would be your figure?" "Oh!" gasped the bashful girl, "I didn't dream I would have to wear tights!"

FEMBERTON WILLARD'S Opera Company are expected to open in Singapore early next month. Miss Ada Mawson's "Follies" Company also contemplate visiting Hongkong, Shanghai and Japan during this summer. The charming Ada will be well remembered by Hongkong old-timers as a leading light in Tommy Hudson's Surprise Party some fifteen years ago.

We note that Lieut.-Col. W. T. Ellis of the Northamptonshire regiment, has been retired on half-pay. Major T. C. O. Powlett obtaining promotion and taking charge of the regiment. Colonel Ellis was one of the keenest all-round "sports" and about the gamest and most accomplished sportsman Hongkong has ever known. The "Major" was an excellent sprinter and could hold his own with the gloves against the best talent.

ACCORDING to the *Presbyterian Journal*, "In Mongolia the missionary is often asked to perform impossible and ridiculous cures. One man asks to be made fat, another to be made clever, another wished to be cured of hunger, another to have his taste for tobacco or whiskey taken away, while almost everybody would like to have his skin made white, like the foreigners." The missionary who supplied all this to the *Presbyterian Journal* is a credit to his cloth.

Skits (travelling minstrel and skit-dancing master): "Thank heaven, Ella, I've struck a job at last that suits me right down to the ground."

Ella: "What is it, dearest?"  
Skits: "We've been hired to play the part of the 'yaboo' in an O.G.T. social purity show, and there's a free show thrown in at the end of each performance."

Ella: "Really, how charming! How fortunate!"

"NEVER agayne," said Beattie Bellwood, emphatically, plumping herself down in a chair, "not if you was to place five hundred pounds on the table there an' ev'rybody else's. It's your's if you'll drink a cocktail! I wouldn't do it. I was 'aving supper with some lads last night an' one of them said: 'Ow, Miss Bellwood, won't you have a cocktail?' Well, I said, 'I'm sorry, but I can't. I don't drink.' He said, 'Oh, Lor! This morning you know, I felt like a pup's lead. I did, indeed, you know. Never, agayne, no boy.'"

THE *Sydney Bulletin* on the unmitigated scandal, Daniel Edward "Trompetblower" "Herr Bandmann, whose unexpectably bad acting has kept his memory green in the theatre, was lately recalled at his own ranch on the Sacramento. His Montana divorce was annulled, consequently Millicent Palmer had the doubtful pleasure of being his wife once more, and the second Mrs. Bandmann was ejected. Then the first wife obtained a divorce on her own account, and struck the Herr heavily for law-expenses and alimony, and the status of the dejected second wife remains unsettled."

SECRETARY Collier, of the Tacoma Chamber of Commerce, has lately prepared a schedule showing the wharves of that port, their length, breadth, and the depth of water in front of them, together with warehouse capacity and capacity of various mills along the water front. The slip shows eleven wharves, having a total length of 11,830 feet, with an average width of thirty feet, and in all instances sufficient depth of water to accommodate shipping. Four warehouses have an aggregate capacity of 3,180,000 bushels. Two lumber mills have a cut of over 500,000 feet daily, and one flouring mill has a capacity of 90 barrels daily.

"No woman shall appear on the stage unless she be clad in a dress the skirts of which do not open at the side, and descend to within four inches of the ground, and the waist of the dress shall be so constructed as not to expose any part of the bust. And no woman shall appear in visible lights, nor engage in public in any exhibition of high kicking, or fan, serpentine, hip or skirt dancing." This is a clause from a Bill for the Suppression of Indecency in Public Performances, now before Massachusetts (U.S.) Legislature. Massachusetts is the old Puritan state which has its early history filled with page after page of records that "John Smith, for carnally kissing Mary Jones, was adjudged to be whipped and put in the stocks."

A VARIETY artist applied to the manager at the Theatre Royal for an engagement. He wanted to sing a couple of songs and give a character dance between the acts.  
"It seems to me," said the genial Twining, "that I have seen you on the stage somewhere, and that your performance was wretched."  
"I expect you saw me when I was with a travelling company. Yes, I know my performance was miserable, but it was intentional on my part," replied the artist."Nonsense!"  
"No nonsense at all. My manager never paid me anything. When I sang and danced well, the audience applauded, but I was starving. Then I purposely performed my part wretchedly, and the people got mad and threw vegetables and even apples at me, and thus I got enough to eat. I know what I was about, you bet!"AN alligator story of an unusually horrible nature, says the *Peking Gazette* of May 16th, comes to us from the Gula estate. In front of the cooee line, there is a shallow ditch about six feet wide, and a Kling woman, who was passing along the line about midnight on Thursday last, was seized by an alligator from this ditch, and was being carried to it when her cries brought Mr. Stewart and some of his assistants to her rescue. This was no easy matter, as the brute held tight. The woman being finally released, it was found that her breast and chest were terribly torn and both of her legs were in a frightful state, having been horribly chewed. She was put on a stretcher and carried to the hospital, where she remains severely injured, and was expected to die. The alligator was killed, it proved to be over twelve feet long and of exceptionally large girth.

In recognition of services rendered to the Emperor of the Restoration, eighty-one adjuvants of the reigning House of Japan have been bestowed with the rank of 1,500 each; 231 others with the rank, got yen 1,000 each.

## TABLE COMPILED BY AN ACTOR.

One marriage makes one divorce.  
Two divorces make one sensation.  
Four scandals make one famous.

JAPANESE judges, to their credit be it recorded, are decidedly adverse to the principle of capital punishment. Of eight criminals recently condemned to death in Osaka, six have been reprieved by order of the Superior Court.

We are exceedingly sorry to observe that a very serious case of 'foot and mouth' disease has suddenly developed itself in the columns of the *Daily Press*—vide this morning's issue of that most nauseating and idiotic burlesque on intelligent journalism.

SHE gave her heart to the handsome youth, The youth with a sweet mouthache; She gave her heart—but her hand she saved For the gray-bearded man whose lip was shaved, And whose pockets were lined with cash.

THE *Hyogo News* reports that Tokyo is threatened with a scarcity of coal owing to largely increased demands without any corresponding increase in supply. Of the 400,000 tons usually obtained from the Hokkaido mines, 370,000 tons are already contracted for.

A DECREE (to have immediate effect) has lately been issued by the President of the French Republic, imposing a tax of six-centimes per register on all sea-going vessels loading or discharging cargoes in the port of Marseilles. No vessel, however, is to pay the tax more than three times in one year.

LATEST gem of originality from the brilliant intellect which runs the *Hongkong Daily Post*:—"The people who are leaving the Colony for Canton in a panic are in reality jumping from the frying-pan into the fire." After this—well, something that will electify our morning contemporary before many weeks are over. The Wyndham Street directors of public opinion are evidently specialists—that is, they carry their brains in the heels of their boots.

THE Government having offered a reward of seven cents a catt for the capture of caterpillars now infesting and seriously damaging the young trees planted all over the island by the Botanical and Afforestation Department, the police have already done a roaring trade; according to the official return the reward has already been paid for as much as two tons and a half of these little pests, at about \$300 worth. The caterpillars are caught in all over the island, in bags, baskets, boxes, or anything available, and when collected are killed with Jeye's Fluid and taken away in dust-bins.

"I may interest some of our lady readers to know how Her Gracious goes to bed."—"Two maids dress the Queen. Before she gets into bed, they heat and spread between the Irish linen sheets a white blanket, part wool, part cotton, and bound with white silk ribbon, with the royal arms embroidered in the corner. With brandy and water for a nightcap, Queen Victoria reclines upon the blanket until her body is thoroughly heated. The maids then withdraw the blanket, and the finest product of Ireland's loom embraces the Queen of England and the Empress of India. It is not stated whether or not Her Majesty is addicted to snoring."

ACCORDING to a Japanese exchange, the Chief of the Hydrographic Bureau at Yokohama has issued a notification stating that as the "Abyssinia" rock had been vainly searched for by both English and Japanese men-of-war, it had been struck off the charts as being non-existent, but in consequence of the recently published report by Captain Snow, of the *Reliance*, stating that the rock exists under water, and that some of the sailing schooners had touched thereon, he warns vessels navigating in that portion of the ocean to be exceptionally careful until further particulars are ascertained. There seems no doubt but that the rock is there, but it is exceedingly difficult to locate it.

## NATIONAL EXPENDITURE.

(Relics of nineteenth century civilization found carved on an ancient monument, A.D. 3600.)

Twenty millions for the churches;  
Where the established parson perches;  
Fifty millions for the gory  
Crosses and the death or glory;  
Several millions for the pauper and a hundred for the war;  
That the peers may live in plenty  
Pensions up to millions twenty;  
And, to all the nation's throatle,  
Thirty millions for the bottle;  
Some few millions for his Majesty, and ten score millions more  
For the profit-mongering classes  
Who employ the toiling masses;  
Hundred millions then for rental,  
And (if then you haven't spent all)  
Just a trifle then to bury those who die inside your door.  
P. LUTTING, in *Sydney Bulletin*.GERMAN aggression is decidedly active just now even the English language is being attacked. Witness the following circular recently received by the *Japan Gazette*:—We hereby have the honour to call especially your attention upon our:  
Reichsgerichts-Reporter!  
(Reporter of the Supreme Court of Germany).  
The insufficiency of the now existing juridical correspondence and of those importance for the army interest, gave us cause to found such a correspondence as printed manuscript in all modern languages, which daily appearing, will publish the process and the decisions of the supreme court of the empire Germany. If suffice, we are sure, to enclose a proof-number, to assure also in your country a success, like those of Germany. The price of subscription for the foreign-countries is 12 sh for six months, free by post.  
Hoping that you will honour us, etc.  
Accompanying the circular was this specimen of Germanic journalistic genius in a reportorial capacity:—

As the 18th August 1893 the carrier-man John David H. went between the line of the railway from E. Ebersheim, just as coming a train of E. Ebersheim, he not thought, that his stationmaster's might look for an end, before the train of justice. The danger was already near, and an accident with the end before the court of justice—inevitable. In the manner came the event to the country-court at Frankfurt a. M., which commenced the accused Horsch to one work imprisonment for bludgeoning into danger a girl. Hoping this sentence he complained to the supreme court of justice at Leipzig and pleaded, he have stop in this time. The supreme court not said therefore the revision. Our contemporary wants to assure its readers that if only on the grounds of patriotism it will have no truck with persons who make no light with the language.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s royal mail steamer *Empress of China* arrived at Yokohama at 6 p.m. yesterday, and left again at noon today for this port, via Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai.

A serious mishap resulting in the instant death of four coolies and possibly in fatal injuries to four or five more, occurred at Swatow on Friday evening to the collapse of one of Messrs. Butterfield &amp; Swire's godowns. A gang of coolies were shifting cargo when one of the godown walls fell in on them with the result stated. The injured men were conveyed to the hospital where they received every care and attention.

## SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before Mr. A. G. Wills, Acting Putney Judge.)

May 28th.

## MORE ABOUT WONG TSOI HI.

Chun Ping petitioned for release from the debtor's prison. Mr. H. L. Dennis appeared for the debtor and Mr. G. C. Master for the creditor, Mok Yok Wan.

From the opening statements and affidavits it appeared that Chun Ping was one of the partners with the notorious Wong Tsoi Hi in two hongys—the Him Loong, dealing in pigs, and the Him Loong, dealing in salt fish. The latter made large profits and the former equally large losses. An interminable series of lawsuits followed, scores of creditors suing the Him Loong partners, who in turn shifted the pressure to Wong Tsoi Hi, apparently the only man with any money. Chun Ping was made a co-defendant with Wong Tsoi Hi in some of the charging cargoes in the port of Marseilles. No vessel, however, is to pay the tax more than three times in one year.

Mr. Dennis said that as Chun Ping applied for release as a pauper under the Code, sec. 70 sub-sec. 6, the onus fell on the creditor to show that the debtor had been guilty of unjustifiable extravagance in living, or had wilfully concealed property, or right of interest direct or indirect in property, or had committed any act of bad faith. The application was made on the 4th May, and the man was brought up on the 7th and an order was made to adjourn for three weeks. There were two sides to the debtor's petition, two affidavits filed by the under-sheriff and the creditor. The first one said that the debtor when arrested had promised to pay if allowed to be free until next day; as a matter of fact what he really said was that he wished to be allowed to go and find Wong Tsoi Hi, since the Court had ruled that Wong Tsoi Hi ought to pay.

His lordship:—He has paid as much as ever he can be expected to pay; I don't suppose he has anything left now.

Mr. Dennis said that anyhow Chun Ping never said he himself could pay, for he had no property at all that was worth anything. The creditor alleged that the debtor was now partner in the Wing On Loong, and was identical with Chun Cheung Tai, but neither statement was true; he was only an accountant, at \$15 a month. The allegation that he had an interest in landed property in Kwangtung resolved itself into the fact that there was some almost worthless and insalubrious family property on which over thirty relatives lived. The statement that the debtor had an interest in the Him Loong worth 4,000 taels was nominally correct, but as a matter of fact since Wong Tsoi Hi had bolted there was no possibility of ever recovering a cent. The creditor's affidavit said Chun Ping was keeping a concubine at West Point, but that was not an asset—he could not be sold to pay the debt!

His lordship:—No, but she might be an "extravagance in living" under the section. A concubine is certainly not a "necessary."  
Mr. Dennis:—Well, he is not keeping one. When he was in comparative affluence he took a second wife, who has born him three children, but now that he cannot keep her she has gone back to the country.

The debtor on going into the witness-box said that the woman went away a few days ago on account of the unhealthiness of the city of Hongkong.

Mr. Master:—Mr. Dennis made a point of his having sent her away on account of expense. Mr. Dennis:—What I said was that now he could not support her she had gone back.  
His lordship:—That is exactly what the witness doesn't say; he says she went on account of the unhealthiness of the city—because of the plague, I suppose.

Mr. Dennis:—Well, my lord, of course I would not like him to tell a lie. He is not keeping her now.

A long discussion ensued as to whether the family property in Kwangtung and the book accounts of the Him Loong should have been mentioned in the petition for the debtor's release. Mr. Dennis urged that the creditor could only keep the man in goal by proving wilful concealment of real assets; these, if worth anything at all, were known to the creditor and could be "attached" so that was sufficient to let the debtor out.

His lordship:—Oh, no! If they can prove that he has any property at all when he said he had not, he will not get out. These people must be made to know. I have refused similar applications on just the same grounds.

In course of further discussion Mr. Dennis referred to the hardships inflicted on his client in the many actions into which he was dragged by unscrupulous persons.

His lordship:—You have appeared on both sides in different suits, you know.

Mr. Dennis:—No, my lord, I have always been conscientiously on the side of Chun Ping. Wong Tsoi Hi got all the profits of the Him Loong, but would not pay the losses of the Him Loong.

His lordship:—That is the old story, which nobody ever believed.

His lordship:—That is why he paid so many of the claims.

His lordship:—How about the story that his partners deliberately created debts so as to make him pay?

After a little further discussion his lordship said:—It comes to this—Chun Ping swears, in his petition for release, that he has "no property," etc., (quoting) and now he comes into court and has to admit having 4,000 taels share due to him out of the Him Loong's profits. Whether it is really worth anything or not, he should have stated it. Otherwise his declaration is untrue.

Mr. Dennis:—Well, he made it without legal assistance.

His lordship:—Why did he have none?

Mr. Dennis:—He had no money to get it.

His lordship:—Then what is he doing with a lawyer to-day?

Mr. Dennis:—His friends have come forward to help him.

His lordship:—Then why didn't they come forward before, and prevent him from making a false statement? Ignorance of the law is no excuse, certainly not for that. Besides, as far as the court is concerned, everybody is supposed to know the law, lawyer or no lawyer.

Mr. Dennis continued to urge that his client had acted honestly and done the best he could.

His lordship:—I wonder what you would say if you were on the other side, Mr. Dennis?  
Mr. Dennis:—Probably I should look at it in a different light because it would probably be a very different case if it was a case that I would take!

## "THE PLAGUE IN HONGKONG."

The work of cleansing the infected districts is being vigorously carried on by the Emergency Corps of the Sanitary Board, which include a number of Police officers, under the supervision of the Captain Superintendent of Police and Sergeants Smith and MacIvor, privates of the Shropshire Light Infantry and officers and men of the Royal Engineers, and a few civilians who responded to the call for volunteers. In view, however, of the enormous task and the vast accumulation of reeking filth which it will be necessary to remove before the evil-smelling infected districts are even partially cleansed, it appears imperative that the strength of the corps should be greatly increased, and whole rows of dirty tenements in Chia Kook Lane, East Street, Market Street, Sud Hang Lane and Poyang Lane be thoroughly swept, scraped, whitewashed and disinfected, and that all the "match-box" rookeries in those streets should be destroyed and the partitions floors and reeking bedding found therein be burnt. At present the disinfecting process is carried on only in houses whence plague-stricken patients have been removed, and the consequence is that fresh cases are often discovered in houses close to or opposite those in which the emergency men have performed their arduous and most unpleasant task. The Government now have reason to right and duty to make a clean sweep of hundreds of insanitary and pestilential hovels or cocklofts in the infected districts, and why there should be any reluctance to effect such a manifestly necessary change for the better, looking not only to the stamping out of the plague but also to future contingencies, would seem to require some explanation, more especially so in view of the fact that apparatus of a householdable-bodied men could be procured from the Garrison for this work at short notice. If the members of the Sanitary Board, Legislative Council, and Chamber of Commerce would perform the duty of house-to-house visitation for a day or two they might learn more as to the true state of affairs than by the perusal of wordy reports from Inspector Gernall or any one else in a whole month of Sundays. And they should take note of the work for it is in the infected districts and short-handedness that the congested quarters of the Colony are in such a disgraceful condition as to be a crying shame and a gross peril on our greatly-advanced civilization. "Seeing is believing," and Mr. Messrs. N. J. Ede, Dr. Ho Kai Joo, D. Humphreys and Dr. Hartigan would "see" the rookeries of Tai-ping-shan they would then believe that the *Telegraph's* reports on the infected districts are well within the mark, and that if they fell to the task of the present crisis to purge the infected districts properly they will be guilty of culpable neglect and abettors of the iniquity and inhumanity rampant in the heart of the city, liable at any time to decimate and utterly ruin the colony.

While the house-to-house canvass for plague-stricken patients and corpses was being carried on in Tai-ping-shan district on Saturday morning, remarkable proof of the absurdity of the "Chinese way" was seen in the case of a preventive measure cropped up when Sergeant MacIvor entered a hotel in Kwei Cheung Lane, whence he had removed a Chinese girl twelve days previously to the Kennedy-town branch hospital, to be treated by the medical staff of the Government Civil Hospital. Until Saturday last the child's mother availed herself of every opportunity of evincing her displeasure at the action taken by the authorities, and no one could convince her that her offspring had not been taken to the foreign hospital for the purpose of being experimented upon (the Chinese gentry said the bones of children were needed by foreign doctors as medicine—and their allegations could not be false!) Friday night, however, the fair one, who had been given up by her friends for dead, was discharged from the Kennedy-town institution cured and this morning gladdened her mother by welcoming the "cruel saint" for whom nothing was now good enough. After knowing to her heart's content, the jubilant mother declared that Sergeant MacIvor was, next to the Emperor of China the greatest and most kind-hearted man on earth and that if he had his due he would be lorded with procaeca feathers and other invaluable decorations, but being poor as (Hongkong) charity she







